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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## Amendment to Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A connector comprising

a first connector having a first insulating body, and

first contact elements supported by said first insulating body,

said first insulating body comprising: including:

at least one guiding or catching area having a perimeter defining and limiting said catching area,

said catching area being adapted to assure that, even for a certain amount of misalignment between said first connector and a second connector supporting second contact elements and adapted to be coupled to said first connector, that a proper engagement and connection of between said first and second[[,]] contact elements occurs, thus forming a connector system due to the fact that said guide means provided on said second connector cooperate cooperating with said catching area, and guide guiding said first and second connectors into engagement wherein the outer perimeter of said catching area has the shape of one of a square and a rectangle.

2. (Currently Amended) The connector of Claim 1 wherein the catching area is defined by said insulating body of said first connector with a recess extending into said insulating body from said perimeter of said catching area, such that a guide or catching surface provided by the surface of said recess extends inwardly from said perimeter towards a receiving hole at an inner end of said catching surface.

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- 3. (Currently Amended) The connector of Claim 2, wherein said receiving hole, located at the inner end of said eaching catching surface is located close to a lower portion of the perimeter of the catching area and in a middle portion thereof.
- 4. (Original) The connector of Claim 3, wherein at each of two diametrically oppositely located corners of the first insulating body, cutouts are provided which are adapted to receive mounting means when said first connector is movably mounted on a component.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A connector of Claim 1 comprising wherein a second insulating body and supports said second contact elements supported by said second insulating body, said second insulating body comprising including a base portion from which a support section projects with a free end into one direction, defining abutment surfaces on the base portion section.
- 6. (Currently Amended) A connector of Claim 5 wherein said support section has a predetermined length so as to provide for a stroke length [[L,]] which allows for a relative translational movement between the second insulating body and a part [[e.g.]] of a drawer on which said second connector is mounted,

said stroke length [[L]] being limited on the one hand side by said abutment surfaces and on the other hand side by an abutment surface, provided close to said free end of said support section, and wherein said abutment surface is provided by a detent hook, formed adjacent to the free end of said support section.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The connector of Claim 5, wherein said base section portion is provided with guide pin holes at diagonally opposite positions, said guide holes extending in directions parallel to the direction of extension of the support section.
  - 8. (Currently Amended) A connector system comprising:

a first connector and a second connector,

said first connector having a first insulating body and first contact elements supported by said insulating body,

said first insulating body comprising at least one guiding or catching area[[,]] having a perimeter defining and limiting said catching area,

said second connector comprising a second insulating body and second contact elements supported by said second insulating body, said second insulating body having a base portion, from which a support section projects with a free end of said support section into one direction, said second connector having guide means associated therewith which are adapted to cooperate with said catching area,

said catching area being adapted to assure that even in the case of existence of a certain amount of misalignment between said first connector and said second connector, both will be coupled properly engaging and by connecting said first and second contact elements of said first and second connectors, due to the fact that said guide means provided on said second connector ecoperate cooperating with said catching area and guides guiding said first and second connectors into engagement, when wherein the outer perimeter of said catching area has the shape of one of a square and a rectangle.

## 9. (New) A connector of Claim 1, wherein

the outer perimeter of the catching area has the shape of one of a square and a rectangle.

## 10. (New) A connector system comprising:

a first connector having a first insulating body and first contact elements supported by said insulating body, said first insulating body including at least one catching area with a perimeter defining and limiting said catching area; and

a second connector having a second insulating body, second contact elements supported by said second insulating body, and guide means associated therewith separate from said second contact elements, which are adapted to cooperate with said catching area,

whereby said catching area assures proper engagement of the first and second connectors, even when said first and said second connectors are misaligned, by connecting said first and second contact elements of said first and second connectors with said guide means of said second connector cooperating with said catching area and guiding said first and second connectors into engagement.

## 11. The connector system of claim 10, wherein

the outer perimeter of said catching area has the shape of one of a square and a rectangle.

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  - 12. (New) The connector system of claim 10, wherein said first and second connectors are mounted on first and second supports, respectively; and

said first and second connectors being moveable with respect to said first and second supports.

13. (New) The connector system of claim 10, wherein said guide means are pins extending from said second connector.